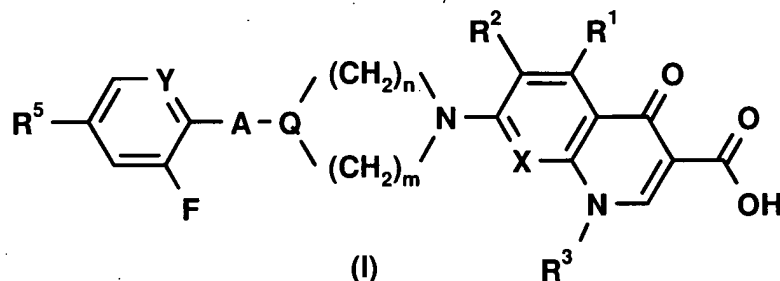


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-18. (canceled)

Claim 19. (Currently amended) A compound of formula (I)



wherein

A is an alkylene group, an alkenylene group, an alkynylene group, a heteroalkylene group, a cycloalkylene group, a heterocycloalkylene group, an arylene group or a heteroarylene group all of which groups may be substituted OCH₂-;

Q is CR⁴;

X is CR⁷ or N;

Y is CR⁶ or N CH;

n is 2;

m is 2;

R¹ is H, F, Cl, Br, I, OH, NH₂, an alkyl group or a heteroalkyl group;

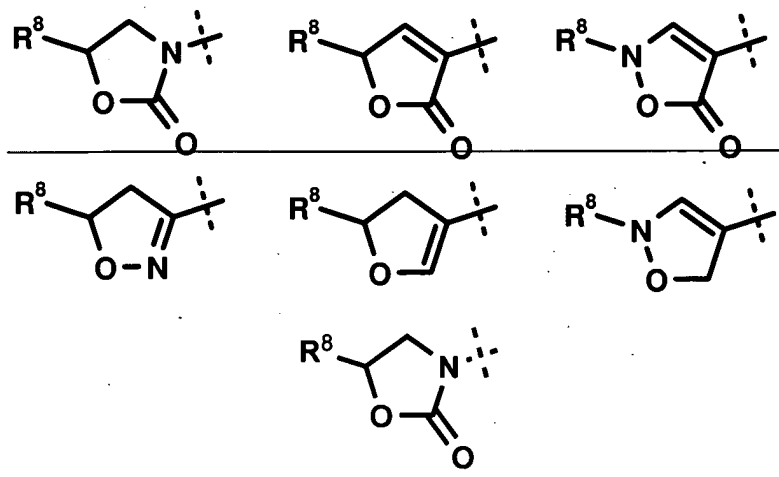
R² is H, or F or Cl;

R³ is H, an ethyl, a propyl, a C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl group, a phenyl, or a pyridyl group; an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, an alkynyl group, a heteroalkyl group, a cycloalkyl group, a heterocycloalkyl group, an aryl group, a heteroaryl group, an alkylaryl group or a heteroarylalkyl group; all of which groups may be substituted with one, two three, or more halogen-fluorine atoms or amino groups;

R⁴ is hydroxy, a group of formula OPO₃R⁹₂, or OSO₃R¹⁰, OCH₂OPO₃H₂, OCOCH₂CH₂COOH or a heteroalkyl group carrying at least one OH, NH₂, SO₃R¹⁰, PO₃R⁹₂ or COOH group or an ester of a naturally occurring amino acid or a derivative thereof, wherein the

groups R^9 independently of each other are H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl or aralkyl and wherein R^{10} is H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl or aralkyl;

R^5 is selected from the following groups:



R^6 is H, F, Cl or OMe;

R^7 is H or a methoxy group, F, Cl, OH, NH_2 , a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group or a substituted or unsubstituted heteroalkyl group, or

R^3 and R^7 together form a bridge of the formula $-O-CH_2-N(Me)-$ or $-O-CH_2-CH(Me)-$; can be linked via an alkylene, an alkenylene or a heteroalkylene group or be a part of a cycloalkylene or heterocycloalkylene group; in case R^3 is no H and R^7 is no H, F, OH, NH_2 or Cl; and

R^8 is a C_{1-6} heteroalkyl, a heteroarylalkyl, a heteroalkylaryl or a heteroalkylheteroaryl group, $CH_2NHCOMe$;

or a pharmacologically acceptable salt, solvate, hydrate or formulation thereof.

Claim 20-22. (Canceled)

Claim 23. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 19, wherein R^3 is a cyclopropyl group.

Claim 24. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 19, wherein R^7 and R^3 together form a bridge of the formula $-O-CH_2-N(Me)-$ or $-O-CH_2-CH(Me)-$, wherein the preferred stereochemistry at the chiral center is the one giving the (S) configuration in the final compound.

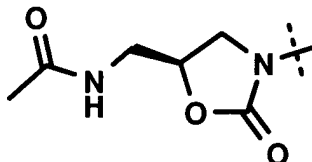
Claim 25. (Canceled)

Claim 26. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 19, wherein X is N or CH.

Claim 27. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 19, wherein R^4 is hydroxy or a group of formula OSO_3H , OPO_3H_2 , $OCH_2OPO_3H_2$, $OCOCH_2CH_2COOH$ or an ester of a naturally occurring amino acid or a derivative thereof.

Claim 28. (Canceled)

Claim 29. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 19, wherein R^5 has the following structure:



Claim 30-32. (Canceled)

Claim 33. (Previously presented) A mono, di or tri sodium salt of a compound of formula (I) according to claim 19.

Claim 34. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 33 wherein R^4 is OPO_3H_2 or OSO_3H or mixtures thereof.

Claim 35. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 19.

Claim 36. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 35 further comprising one or more optionally carriers and/or adjuvants and/or diluents.

Claim 37. (Canceled)

Claim 38. (Previously presented) A method for treating a subject suffering from or susceptible to a bacterial infection, comprising administering to the subject a compound of claim 19.